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FRONT PAGE ARTICLES ON THE GARRISON INVESTIGATION APPEARED IN ALL PAPERS AND RECEIVED HEADLINES IN MOST. AN EDITORIAL IN EXCELSIOR STATED THAT SINCE SO MUCH DOUBT EXISTS IT IS BETTER FOR THE TRUTH TO BE SOUGHT BY INVESTIGATIONS LIKE THAT OF GARRISON RATHER THAN THROUGH LITERARY FICTION LIKE "MACBIRD." OVACIONES SALUTED GARRISON AS A BRAVE FIGHTER FOR JUSTICE. NOVEDADES STATES THAT THE INVESTIGATION MIGHT BE PART OF A GIANT POLITICAL MANUEVER IN CONNECTION WITH THE NEXT ELECTION AND IS A SIGN OF LOSS OF FAITH BY AMERICANS IN THEIR OWN INSTITUTIONS AND ABILITIES. EL HERALDO LAUDS GARRISON AS REPRESENTING THE WISHES OF THE WORLD TO SEE JUSTICE DONE.

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EL HERALDO ALSO RAN A FEATURE ARTICLE TRACING OSWALD'S ACTIVITIES IN MEXICO AND RAISING THE QUESTION OF WHETHER WITNESSES IN MEXICO MIGHT BE IN DANGER.

EL SOL CRITICIZED THE KUCHEL PROPOSEL TO CONTROL AID TO COUNTRIES NOT IN ACCORD WITH THE U.S. POSITION ON TERRITORIAL WATERS.

ANOTHER EL SOL EDITORIAL DEALT WITH RUMORED PARTICIPATION OF THE CIA IN SPANISH STUDENT MOVEMENTS OPPOSED TO THE GOVERNMENT STATING THAT THE CIA APPEARS TO HAVE TWO ASPECTS-ONE OPPOSING COMMUNISM AND ONE HELPING IT AND RAISED THE QUESTION OF POSSIBLE COMUNIST INFILTRATION IN CIA.

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